

additional \$4.6 billion for health care expenses.

In addition, this measure includes a number of temporary tax provisions for reconstruction incentives to businesses located in the New York Liberty Zone surrounding the World Trade Center. Among these provisions includes \$8 billion in tax-exempt bonds over the next three years for reconstruction in the areas of New York City damaged by the September 11 attacks. Also included are several measures intended to attract businesses back to New York City.

Nonetheless, I am disturbed over the procedural games this bill must endure. We had an opportunity to pass a Senate cleared unemployment extension measure on its merits which would have passed the House and been sent to the president. Unfortunately, several tax provisions were added to the bill, essentially making it impossible to pass the Senate.

Since September 11th, more than one million have seen their unemployment benefits expire. Another two million workers will exhaust their benefits over the next 6 months. Yet we continue to play partisan and procedural games holding the unemployed hostage. It's unfortunate that some of the positive measures of this bill will never see the president's desk.

America needs an economic stimulus package that prioritizes the needs of this country during this difficult time. Therefore we must address the needs of our workers as well as providing our businesses with stimulating tax cuts that provide the temporary relief they need. However, this will never be achieved if the same procedural games are played.

Ms. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, this past Tuesday the State of Wisconsin did something no other state has done, and something this chamber has failed to do. Wisconsin did what was right and decided to help unemployed workers by extending their unemployment insurance benefits for an additional 8 weeks. They did it without playing political games or attaching controversial measures intended to score political points but not help America's workers.

Only a few short days after September 11, Congress quickly rushed to rescue the airline industry and provided a \$15 billion package. This package provided airline executives with a guarantee that their million dollar salaries were safe, but included no provisions that helped the thousands of airline workers who were being laid off at an alarming pace.

The economic downturn, combined with the terrorist attacks, has caused many people to lose their jobs. Our unemployment is at its highest rate in about a decade. Yet, the House passed an economic stimulus bill that included millions of dollars in special tax breaks for big corporations, including Enron, but left behind those who needed financial help the most—Americans who have lost their jobs.

I applaud the State of Wisconsin for providing unemployed workers financial help for an additional 2 months while they look for a job. That means the people of Wisconsin will also have another 2 months to make their car payment, pay their house mortgage, and feed their families. I believe we must extend this assistance to all out-of-work Americans. It is our responsibility, our duty, to make sure that all unemployed or displaced workers have their benefits extended.

Today, this House had an opportunity to pass a bill that would have extended unemployment benefits to unemployed workers and gotten a prompt signature from the President. Sadly, tying unemployment benefits to another so-called economic stimulus bill will cause it to meet the fate of the previous 2 bills this House passed—it will go nowhere. We should follow Wisconsin's example and pass legislation that extends unemployment insurance benefits for at least another 13 weeks in a stand-alone bill. To do so otherwise is to turn our backs on the American people.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LATOURETTE). All time for debate has expired.

Pursuant to House Resolution 347, the previous question is ordered.

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRIES

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, I have a parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman may state his inquiry.

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, what would be the appropriate time for me to move that we concur with the Senate amendment to extend the unemployment compensation?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The previous question is ordered on this motion to final adoption without intervening motion so there is no opportunity at this time.

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, I have an additional parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman will state it.

Mr. RANGEL. Will the minority have an opportunity to offer a substitute to the majority position?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. There is no such opportunity. The previous question is ordered to final adoption.

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, my further and last parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman will state it.

Mr. RANGEL. Does the minority have an opportunity to make a motion to recommit the majority's rule?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The previous question is ordered to final adoption without intervening motion. The answer is no.

The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. THOMAS).

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 225, nays 199, not voting 11, as follows:

[Roll No. 38]

YEAS—225

Aderholt
Akin
Armey

Bachus
Baker
Ballenger

Barcia
Barr
Bartlett

Barton
Bass
Bereuter
Biggert
Bilirakis
Blunt
Boehrlert
Boehner
Bonilla
Bono
Boozman
Brown (SC)
Bryant
Burr
Burton
Buyer
Callahan
Calvert
Camp
Cannon
Cantor
Capito
Castle
Chabot
Chambliss
Coble
Collins
Combest
Cooksey
Cox
Cramer
Crane
Crenshaw
Cubin
Culberson
Cunningham
Davis, Jo Ann
Davis, Tom
Deal
DeLay
DeMint
Diaz-Balart
Doolittle
Dreier
Duncan
Dunn
Ehlers
Ehrlich
Emerson
English
Everett
Ferguson
Flake
Fletcher
Foley
Forbes
Fossella
Frelinghuysen
Gallegly
Ganske
Gekas
Gibbons
Gilchrest
Gillmor
Gilman
Goode
Goodlatte
Goss
Graham
Granger
Graves
Green (WI)

Greenwood
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Hall (TX)
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Hart
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Hastings (WA)
Hayes
Hayworth
Hefley
Herger
Hilleary
Hobson
Hoekstra
Horn
Hostettler
Houghton
Hulshof
Hunter
Hyde
Isakson
Israel
Issa
Istook
Jenkins
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Johnson (CT)
Johnson (IL)
Johnson, Sam
Jones (NC)
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King (NY)
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LaHood
Largent
Latham
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Lewis (CA)
Lewis (KY)
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Lipinski
LoBiondo
Lucas (KY)
Lucas (OK)
Manzullo
McCarthy (NY)
McCrery
McHugh
McInnis
McKeon
Mica
Miller, Gary
Miller, Jeff
Moran (KS)
Myrick
Nethercutt
Ney
Northup
Norwood
Nussle
Osborne
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Oxley
Paul
Pence
Peterson (PA)
Petri
Pickering
Pitts
Platts
Pombo
Portman
Pryce (OH)
Putnam
Quinn
Radanovich
Ramstad
Regula
Rehberg
Reynolds
Rogers (KY)
Rogers (MI)
Rohrabacher
Ros-Lehtinen
Royce
Ryan (WI)
Ryun (KS)
Saxton
Schaffer
Schrock
Sensenbrenner
Sessions
Shadegg
Shaw
Shays
Sherwood
Shimkus
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Shuster
Simmons
Simpson
Skeen
Smith (MI)
Smith (NJ)
Smith (TX)
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Sununu
Sweeney
Tancredo
Tauzin
Terry
Thomas
Thornberry
Thune
Tiahrt
Tiberti
Toomey
Upton
Vitter
Walden
Walsh
Wamp
Watkins (OK)
Watts (OK)
Weldon (FL)
Weller
Whitfield
Wickler
Wilson (NM)
Wilson (SC)
Wolf
Young (AK)
Young (FL)

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Allen
Andrews
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Baird
Baldacci
Baldwin
Barrett
Becerra
Bentsen
Berkley
Berry
Bishop
Blagojevich
Blumenauer
Bonior
Borski
Boswell
Boucher
Boyd
Brady (PA)
Brown (FL)
Brown (OH)
Capps

Capuano
Cardin
Carson (IN)
Carson (OK)
Clay
Clayton
Clement
Clyburn
Condit
Conyers
Costello
Coyne
Crowley
Cummings
Davis (CA)
Davis (FL)
Davis (IL)
DeFazio
DeGette
Delahunt
DeLauro
Deutsch
Dicks
Dingell
Doggett

Dooley
Doyle
Edwards
Engel
Eshoo
Etheridge
Evans
Farr
Fattah
Filner
Ford
Frank
Frost
Gephardt
Gonzalez
Gordon
Green (TX)
Gutierrez
Hall (OH)
Hastings (FL)
Hill
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Hinchey
Hinojosa
Hoeffel